GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
HOME AFFAIRS
LOK SABHA

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ILLEGAL DRUG TRADE IN DELHI
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Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government are aware of the illegal trade of drugs being carried out unabatedly by the drug peddlers outside the colleges and schools in various parts of Delhi;

(b) if so, the number of persons involved therein, have been arrested during each of the last three years; and

(c) the steps taken to check the menace and the drug peddlers?

Answer

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS (CH. VIDYASAGAR RAO)

(a) & (b): A few isolated instances of drug peddling outside the colleges and schools in Delhi have come to the notice of Delhi Police. Six persons were arrested by Delhi Police in this connection in the year 1998 and one each in the years 1999 and 2000.

(c): The steps taken by Delhi Police to check this menace include foot as well as mobile patrolling carried out by the local police in the areas where incidents of sale of narcotics come to notice; close surveillance on the activities of known criminals dealing in narcotics drugs; frequent raids at possible hide-outs of criminals suspected to be indulging in such activities; setting up special pickets in the areas known/suspected to be prone to such activities; regular watch on addicts who are prone to commit offences relating to sale of drugs; and adequate publicity through hoardings and literature on the evils of drug use.